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JOB VACANCIES FOR THE WHOLE ECONOMY

1st quarter 2009 – 4th quarter 2015

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT), in the framework of the programme to enhance the availability of its statistics, is publishing for the first time a new quarterly Press Release, aiming at presenting data on job vacancies¹ for the whole economy (excluding Primary Sector and Activities of Households). It includes data for the period from the 1st quarter 2009 to the 4th quarter 2015.

The survey on Job Vacancies is intended to record the number of Job vacancies and is part of the European Labour Market Statistics. The survey on Job Vacancies is conducted in accordance with the Regulations (EC) No 453/2008, (EC) No 1062/2008 and (EC) No 19/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

The number of job vacancies in the 4th quarter 2015 has recorded a decrease of 79.1% in comparison with the 4th quarter 2014 (3,119 and 14,930, correspondingly), while the corresponding number of job vacancies in the 4th quarter 2014 had recorded an increase of 14.8% in comparison with the 4th quarter 2013 (14,930 and 13,007, correspondingly) (Table 1, Graph 1).

Table 1 depicts analytically the evolution of the number of job vacancies from the 1st quarter 2009 to the 4th quarter 2015.

Graphs 1 and 2 depict the evolution of Job vacancies during the 4th quarter of each year and by quarter, from 2009 to 2015, correspondingly.

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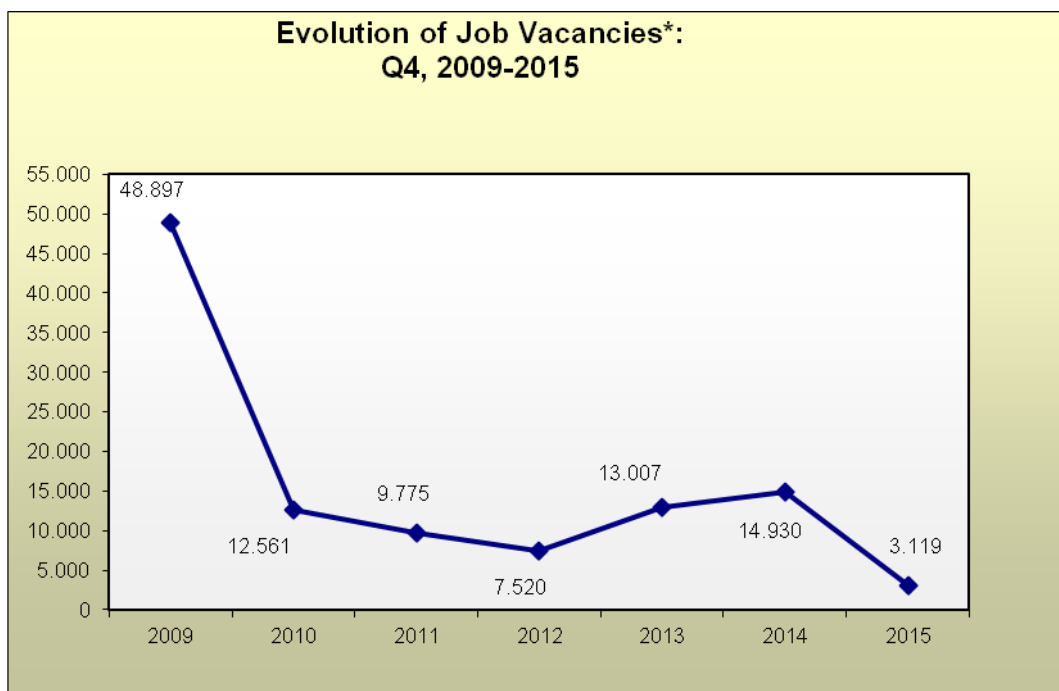
¹ The number of Job vacancies refers to the **Job Vacancies to be filled in immediately**, that is job vacancies for full or part-time employment, which are to be filled in within a period not longer than three months

Table 1: Evolution of job vacancies to be filled in immediately in NACE Rev.2 Sections B-S, Q1 2009- Q4 2015

<i>Year – Quarter*</i>	Job Vacancies to be filled in immediately	<i>Quarterly change (%)</i>	<i>Annual change (%)</i>
2009 Q1	51,613		
Q2	45,886	-11.1	
Q3	36,356	-20.8	
Q4	48,897	34.5	
2010 Q1	43,242	-11.6	-16.2
Q2	24,700	-42.9	-46.2
Q3	20,638	-16.4	-43.2
Q4	12,561	-39.1	-74.3
2011 Q1	36,935	194.0	-14.6
Q2	18,159	-50.8	-26.5
Q3	15,043	-17.2	-27.1
Q4	9,775	-35.0	-22.2
2012 Q1	21,753	122.5	-41.1
Q2	17,124	-21.3	-5.7
Q3	5,325	-68.9	-64.6
Q4	7,520	41.2	-23.1
2013 Q1	41,545	452.5	91.0
Q2	12,747	-69.3	-25.6
Q3	14,852	16.5	178.9
Q4	13,007	-12.4	73.0
2014 Q1	15,921	22.4	-61.7
Q2	18,596	16.8	45.9
Q3	17,541	-5.7	18.1
Q4	14,930	-14.9	14.8
2015 Q1	15,694	5.1	-1.4
Q2	17,000	8.3	-8.6
Q3	12,626	-25.7	-28.0
Q4	3,119	-75.3	-79.1

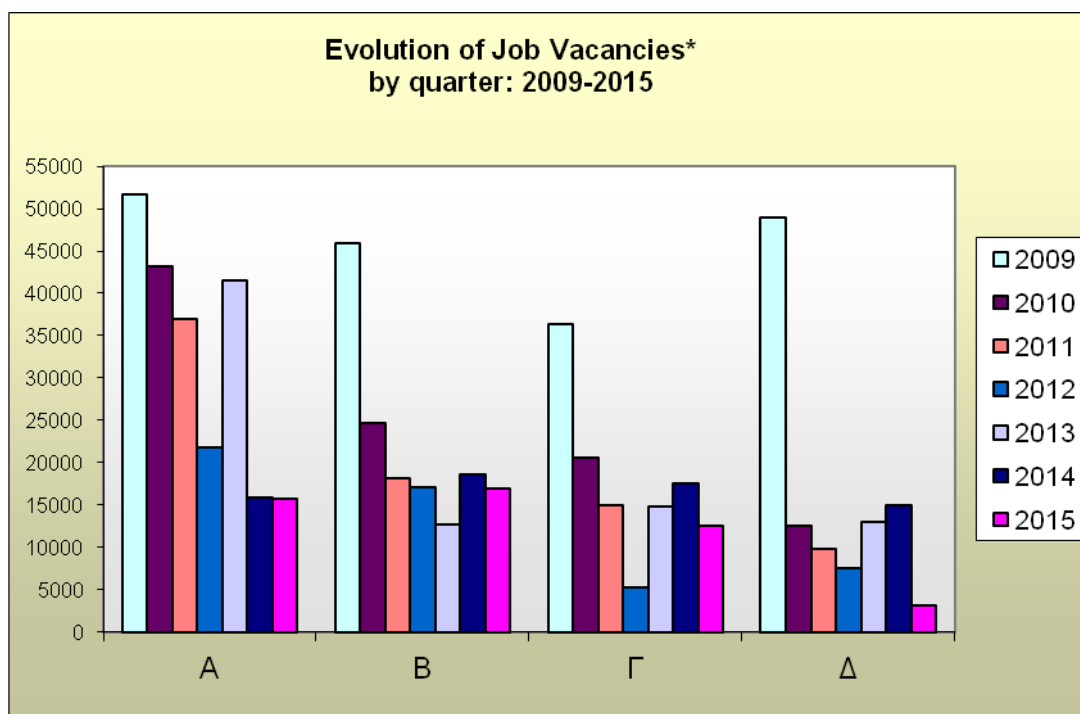
* Job vacancies are recorded on the first day of the third month of every calendar quarter

Graph 1



* Data refer to job vacancies to be filled in immediately

Graph 2



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METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Survey on Job Vacancies	The Survey on Job Vacancies is a sampling survey conducted on a quarterly basis in a sample of 6,774 enterprises. It is intended to record the number of job vacancies in the whole economy excluding Primary Sector and Activities of Households of NACE Rev. 2.	
Purpose of the survey	The purpose of the survey is to record, on a quarterly basis, the job vacancies to be filled in immediately.	
Definitions	<p>The statistical unit is the enterprise employing at least one (1) employee.</p> <p>Job vacancy means a paid post that is newly created, unoccupied, or about to become vacant, for which the employer is taking active steps and is prepared to take further steps to find a suitable candidate from outside the enterprise concerned and which the employer intends to fill either immediately or in the near future. It should be noted that job vacancies refer only to employees.</p> <p>A vacant post which is going to be filled by the following categories is not considered as Job Vacancy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an apprentice without remuneration coming either by the employer or through the Social Security Funds • contractors which are not on the payroll list, • personnel who is re-hired or returns to the enterprise after a holiday, paid or not, leave • internal movement of a member of personnel inside the enterprise <p>Job Vacancies to be filled in immediately are job vacancies for full or part-time employment, which are to be filled in within a period not longer than three months.</p> <p>Job vacancies are recorded on the 1st day of the 3rd month of every calendar quarter.</p>	
Legal Framework	Regulations (EC) No 453/2008, (EC) No 1062/2008 and (EC) No 19/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council.	
Reference period	Quarter.	
Statistical classifications	The European statistical classification of economic activities NACE Rev.2. is used.	
Geographical coverage	Greece total.	
Coverage of NACE Rev.2 sections	NACE Rev. 2 Sections	Description
	B	Mining and quarrying
	C	Manufacturing
	D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning
	E	Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities
	F	Construction
	G	Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles
	H	Transportation and Storage
	I	Activities Accommodation Services and Food Services
	J	Information and Communication
	K	Financial and insurance activities
	L	Real Estate
	M	Professional, scientific and technical activities
	N	Administrative and support service activities
	O	Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security
	P	Education
	Q	Human Health and Social Work Activities
	R	Arts, Entertainment and Recreation
	S	Other Service Activities